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NOTIFICATION

The following submission, dated 26 April 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of **Japan**. The notification concerns the administration of tariff quotas (**Table MA:1**) for the **Fiscal Year 2021/2022**.

Table MA: 1

MARKET ACCESS: JAPAN

REPORTING PERIOD: FISCAL YEAR FROM 01-04-2021 TO 31-03-2022

Implementation of market access opportunities: Tariff and other quota commitments

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JPNQ001	Skimmed milk powder for school lunch	040210211, 040221211	<input type="checkbox"/>	(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base. (b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers: (i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF). (ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must be suppliers of skimmed milk powder for school lunch. (iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual supply of the end products and amount of the stock in the previous year and planned annual supply of the end products in the current year. (iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so. (c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable. (d) Other information: Sources of information: - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho.	

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JPNQ002	Skimmed milk powder for other purposes	040210121, 040210216, 040210222, 040221216, 040221222, 040229220	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants:</p> <p>1. For use to produce compound feeds Applicants must fall under one of the following and be approved by the Director-General of Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants. (1) Producers of compound feeds using skimmed milk powder. (2) Producers' organizations of compound feeds using skimmed milk powder. (3) Suppliers of skimmed milk powder to the producers of compound feeds, who fulfil all of the following criteria. - produce compound feeds that meet the requirements specified by the suppliers - receive ingredient necessary to produce the compound feeds from the suppliers - provide suppliers or suppliers' organizations with all the quantity of the compound feeds produced using skimmed milk powder that is received from the suppliers.</p> <p>2. For use to produce recombined milk in Okinawa prefecture Applicants must have record of production of recombined milk in plants in Okinawa prefecture in the previous year and must produce recombined milk for consumption in the prefecture.</p> <p>3. For use to produce prepared milk powder for infant formula in Okinawa prefecture Applicants must be producers of prepared milk powder which must be sold in Okinawa prefecture for consumption by infants in the prefecture and/or by those who are designated by the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual production of the end products and amount of usage/stock in the previous year and planned annual usage in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ004	Evaporated milk	040291121, 040291210	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must fall under one of the following: (1) Applicants must be importers and sellers/users of evaporated milk in Okinawa prefecture and must also have a record of imports of commodities classified in Sections 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules of Japan in the previous fiscal year. (2) Applicants must be producers and sellers of products using evaporated milk as a raw material in Okinawa prefecture. (3) Applicants must be producers of products using evaporated milk as a raw material.</p> <p>(iii) The quotas for (1) and (2) above are allocated taking the factors, such as annual amount of imports and sales in the previous year, planned annual amount of use in the current year, into account. The quota for (3) above is allocated taking the factors, such as annual production of the end products and amount of the stock in the previous year, planned annual production of the end products in the current year, into account.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of twice a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ006	Whey and modified whey for feeding purposes	040410131, 040410141, 040410171, 040410181	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must fall under one of the following and be approved by the Director General of Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants. (1) Producers of compound feeds using whey and modified whey (2) Producers' organizations of compound feeds using whey and modified whey (3) Suppliers of whey and modified whey to the producers of compound feed, who fulfil all of the following criteria - produce compound feeds that meet the requirements specified by the suppliers - receive raw materials necessary to produce the compound feeds from the suppliers - provide suppliers or suppliers' organizations with all the quantity of the compound feeds produced using whey and modified whey received from the suppliers.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as amount usage in the previous year and planned annual usage in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ007	Prepared whey for infant formula	040410142, 040410182, 040490116, 040490126, 040490136	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must be producers of infant formula using allocated amount of prepared whey, and must have their own manufacturing plants for infant formula.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual production of the end products, usage of prepared whey for infant formula and amount of the stock in the previous year, planned annual usage of the end products in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ008	Butter and butter oil	040510121, 040510221, 040590221	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: 1. For use to produce recombined milk in Okinawa prefecture Applicants must have record of production of recombined milk in plants in Okinawa prefecture in the previous year and must produce recombined milk for consumption in the prefecture. 2. For use to produce prepared milk powder for infant formula in Okinawa prefecture Applicants must be producers of prepared milk powder which must be sold in Okinawa prefecture for consumption by infants in the prefecture and/or by those who are designated by the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. 3. For international airlines' in-flight use Applicants must be providers of catering services for international flights from and to Japan, and must be providers of butter and butter oil for international airlines in the current fiscal year. 4. For use at international trade fairs Applicants must have assured intention to exhibit and sell butter and butter oil at international trade fairs in Japan, and must be certified as scheduled exhibitors by embassy of respective country, and must be approved by the Director General of Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual production of the end products, usage of butter and butter oil and amount of the stock in the previous year, planned annual usage of butter and butter oil in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ009	Mineral concentrated whey	040410121, 040410122, 040410161, 040410162	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must fall under one of the following: (1) Applicants must be producers of products, including those for further processing, using mineral concentrated whey powder in the previous fiscal year. (2) Applicants must have records of production of milk products, excluding those for further processing, in the previous fiscal year, and must be producers of milk products using mineral concentrated whey powder in the current fiscal year.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual usage of the mineral concentrated whey and amount of the stock in the previous year, planned annual usage of the mineral concentrated whey in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ010	Prepared edible fat	210690121, 210690122	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: (1) New Zealand: 11,550 MT (2) Others: 7,427 MT.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must fall under one of the following. (1) Producers of products using prepared edible fats (2) Producers' organization of products using prepared edible fats (3) Suppliers of prepared edible fats in the same condition at the time of import to the producers.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual usage of prepared edible fats and sales of the end products in the previous year, and planned annual usage of prepared edible fats and sales of the end products in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 6 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ011	Other dairy products for general use	040110110, 040120110, 040140110, 040150111, 040150121, 040310110, 040310120, 040390116, 040390117, 040390126, 040390127, 040390136, 040390137, 040490111, 040490117, 040490121, 040490127, 040490131, 040490137, 180620311, 180690311, 190110111, 190110121, 190120111, 190120116, 190190131, 190190136, 210112231, 210112236, 210120231, 210120236, 210610120, 210610130, 210690111, 210690112, 210690124, 210690125	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must fall under one of the following: (1) Applicants must have import records of "other dairy products for general use" through tariff quota system. Import records made under categories (3) and/or (4) must not be qualified. (2) Applicants must be users of "other dairy products for general use" in the current fiscal year and must also be buyers and users of "other dairy product for general use" in the previous fiscal year. (3) Applicants must have assured intention to produce ice-cream in the current fiscal year, and must have their own manufacturing plants for ice-cream and must also be approved as appropriate applicants by the Director General of Agricultural Production Bureau, MAFF. (4) Applicants must be importers and sellers/users of "other dairy products for general use" in the current fiscal year and must also have a record of imports of commodities classified in Sections 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules of Japan in the previous fiscal year. (5) Applicants must be allocated the quota for categories (1), (2) and/or (3) in the current fiscal year and must have assured intention to import the whole quantity allocated.</p> <p>(iii) The quota for the category (1) is allocated taking the factors, such as annual amount of allocation, imports, production and stock in the previous fiscal year, into account. The quota for the category (2) is allocated taking the factors, such as annual amount of purchase, production and stock in the previous fiscal year, into account. The quota for the category (3) is allocated taking the factors, such as production records in the previous fiscal year and production plan in the current fiscal year, into account. Quota allocation for the category (4) is made first-come, first-served basis. The quota for the category (5) is allocated taking the factors, such as annual amount of allocation, imports, production and stock in the previous fiscal year and imports in the current fiscal year, into account.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made once a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed for the category (5). Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 			

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JPNQ012	Designated dairy products for general use	040210110, 040210221, 040221111, 040221121, 040221221, 040229111, 040229121, 040229211, 040229121, 040299210, 040390111, 040390112, 040390121, 040390122, 040390131, 040390132, 040410111, 040410119, 040410151, 040410159, 040510110, 040510210, 040520010, 040590110, 040590210	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: ALIC gives contracts for imports of designated dairy products to the successful bidders in the designated competitive bidding conducted by the Corporation. Those who fulfill the requirements described in (1) and (2) below, or who fulfill the requirements described in (1), (3) and (4) are eligible to participate the bidding.</p> <p>(1) Companies registered under Companies Act. (2) Companies having imported at least 100 metric tons of dairy products, which are specified as dairy products in the Ministerial Order on compositional standards, etc. of milk and dairy products, during the most recent calendar year. (3) Companies that are recommended by buyers as their appropriate agents. (4) Companies that have records of imports of at least 1 MT of dairy products, by paying import tariffs based on declarations in the last three consecutive years.</p> <p>(iii) The successful bidders in the designated competitive bidding are designated from those who put in lower price than others, until the planned quantity of imports are filled. The filled bids must be lower than the expected price, which is set by ALIC. In the competitive tenders for Simultaneous Buy and Sell (SBS), importers are designated from those who offer higher mark-up than others, until the planned quantity of import is filled. The mark-ups must be higher than the predetermined amount set by ALIC.</p> <p>(iv) Period of licence validity, frequency of allocations, restrictions for use: Valid until the day ALIC defines.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information: - Operational method statement of Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation.</p>			
JPNQ013	Dried leguminous vegetables	071310221, 071332010, 071333221, 071334291, 071335291, 071339221, 071339226, 071350221, 071360291, 071390221		<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: 1. For general use (1) Applicants must have import records of dried leguminous vegetables through tariff quota system in the previous period, and have assured intention to import dried leguminous vegetables, such as small red beans, peas, broad beans and horse beans, kidney beans, including white pea beans, and other dried leguminous vegetables (excluding chickpeas, beans of the species <i>Vigna mungo</i> (L.) Hepper or <i>Vigna radiata</i> (L.) Wilczek, lentils, soya beans and ground-nuts), and be approved by the Director-General of Crop Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants. (2) Other applicants who do not meet above criteria must fulfill all of the requirements described below, and also be approved by the Director-General of Crop Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants.</p>			

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				<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have import records of at least 10 million yen of commodities classified in Section 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules in both of the preceding two years; or have at least 10 million yen of capital in the case of corporations. - have sales records of at least one thousand MT of dried leguminous vegetables in the domestic market in both of the preceding two years. - have assured intention to import dried leguminous vegetables specified in 1. above. <p>2. For new demand use Applicants must have import records of small red beans through tariff quota system in the previous period, and have assured intention to import them, and be approved by the Director-General of Crop Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants.</p> <p>3. For use in Okinawa prefecture (1) Applicants must have import records of dried leguminous vegetables through tariff quota system in the previous period, and have assured intention to import dried leguminous vegetables to Okinawa prefecture and to sell them within the prefecture for consumption. (2) Other applicants who do not meet above criteria must have import records of at least 1 million yen of commodities classified in Section 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules in both of the preceding two years, and have assured intention to import dried leguminous vegetables to Okinawa prefecture and to sell them within the prefecture for consumption.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as amount of usage in the previous years and planned usage in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made 2 times a fiscal year and are valid until the end of that year except small red beans for general use (Regarding small red beans for general use, the first allocation is valid until the end of October and the second allocation is valid until the end of that year). Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ014	Wheat, meslin, triticale and their processed products	100111010, 100119010, 110100011, 110429121, 110419121, 190190171, 100191011, 100199011, 110100091, 110811010, 110429111, 190410221, 100199016, 110290210, 110320110, 190120131, 190420221, 100191019, 100199019, 110311010, 110320510, 190120151, 190430010, 190490210, 100860210, 110319210, 110419111, 190190151, 210690214	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Qualifications for participating in competitive bidding: 1. Ordinary Import System (1) Business experience: Applicants must have experience of wheat and/or barley trading (2) Business records: Applicants must have business record of at least 20,000 MT of annual import/export of wheat and/or barley during the last 3 years, as well as contract-based import records during the same period. (3) Owned capital: Applicants must be corporations which were established in Japan and have at least one billion yen of owned capital. (4) Other requirement: Applicants must have staffs in the main office and in overseas branch offices, who have at least 3 years experience for wheat and/or barley importing and exporting operation. 2. Simultaneous Buy and Sell (SBS) (1) Business experience: Applicants must have experience of wheat and/or barley trading. (2) Business records: Applicants must have business record of at least 20 MT of import/export of wheat and/or barley during the last 3 years, as well as contract-based import records during the same period. (3) Owned capital: Applicants must be corporations which were established in Japan and have at least 0.1 billion yen of owned capital. (4) Other requirement: Applicants must have staffs in the main office or in overseas branch offices, who have at least one year's experience for wheat and/or barley importing and exporting operation.</p> <p>(iii) MAFF provides contracts for wheat imports to the successful bidders in the designated competitive bidding conducted by MAFF. The successful bidders are designated from those who put in lower price, until the planned quantity of import are filled. The filled bids must be lower than the ceiling price, which is provided by the Accounting Law.</p> <p>(iv) The entry qualification is valid for 3 years, provided that the qualification is examined once a year.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information: - Decree Law on qualifications for participating in competitive bidding of ordinary Import System for rice, wheat and barley imports; -- Decree Law on qualification for participating in SBS for rice and wheat.</p>	

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JPNQ015	Barley and its processed products	100310010, 100390011, 110419410, 190420231, 100390019, 110429410, 190490310, 110290110, 190120141, 210690216, 110319110, 190190161, 110320410, 190410231	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Qualifications for participating in competitive bidding: (1) Business experience: Applicants must have experience of wheat and/or barley trading. (2) Business records: Applicants must have business record of at least 20,000 MT of annual import/export of wheat and/or barley during the last 3 years, as well as contract-based import records during the same period. (3) Owned capital: Applicants must be corporations which were established in Japan and have at least one billion yen of owned capital. (4) Other requirement: Applicants must have staffs in the main office and in overseas branch offices, who have at least 3 years experience for wheat and/or barley importing and exporting operation.</p> <p>(iii) MAFF provides contracts for barley imports to the successful bidders in the designated competitive bidding conducted by MAFF. The successful bidders are designated from those who put in lower price, until the planned quantity of import are filled. The filled bids must be lower than the ceiling price, which is provided by the Accounting Law.</p> <p>(iv) The entry qualification is valid for 3 years, provided that the qualification is examined once a year.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information: - Decree Law on qualifications for participating in competitive bidding of ordinary Import System for rice, wheat and barley imports.</p>	

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JPNQ016	Rice and its worked and/or prepared products	100610010, 100620010, 100630010, 100640010, 110290310, 110319510, 110320350, 110419250, 110429250, 190120122, 190120162, 190190142, 190190587, 190410211, 190420211, 190490120, 210690517	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Qualifications for participating in competitive bidding: 1. Ordinary Import System (1) Business experience: Applicants must have experience of rice trading. (2) Business records: Applicants must have business record of at least 10,000 MT of annual import/export, as well as contract-based imports, during the last 3 years. (3) Owned capital: Applicants must be corporations which were established in Japan and have at least one billion yen of owned capital. (4) Other requirement: Applicants must have staffs in the main office and in overseas branch offices, who have at least 3 years experience for rice importing and exporting operation. 2. Simultaneous Buy and Sell (SBS) (1) Business experience: Applicants must have experience of rice trading. (2) Business records: Applicants must have business record of at least 20 MT of import/export during the last 3 years. (3) Owned capital: Applicants must be corporations which were established in Japan and have at least 0.1 billion yen of owned capital. (4) Other requirement: Applicants must have staffs in the main office or in overseas branch offices, who have at least one year's experience for rice importing and exporting operation.</p> <p>(iii) MAFF provides contracts for rice imports to the successful bidders in the designated competitive bidding conducted by MAFF. The successful bidders are designated from those who put in lower price, until the planned quantity of import are filled. The filled bids must be lower than the ceiling price, which is provided by the Accounting Law.</p> <p>(iv) The entry qualification is valid for 3 years, provided that the qualification is examined once a year.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree Law on qualifications for participating in competitive bidding of ordinary Import System for rice, wheat and barley imports; - Decree Law on qualification for participating in SBS for rice and wheat. 	

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JPNQ017	Starches, inulin and preparations of starches	110812010, 110812020, 110813010, 110813020, 110814010, 110814020, 110819011, 110819012, 110819091, 110819092, 110820010, 190120156, 190120157, 190190176, 190190177	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: 1. For manufacturing starch sweetener Applicants must fall under one of the following, and have assured intention to use or sell imported starch. (1) Producers of starch sweetener, such as high fructose corn syrup (HFCS), glucose and maltose (2) Producers' organizations of starch sweetener 2. For manufacturing modified starch Applicants must fall under one of the following, and have assured intention to use or sell imported starch. (1) Producers of modified starch, such as dextrin, dextrin glue, dissolved starch, roast starch and starch glue (2) Producers' organizations of the modified starch 3. For manufacturing sodium glutamate or 5'-ribonucleotide Applicants must be producers of sodium glutamate or 5'-ribonucleotide using imported starch, and must have their own manufacturing facilities for the products. 4. For use in Okinawa prefecture Applicants must have a record of imports of commodities classified in Sections 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules of Japan and must also have assured intention to sell starches imported into Okinawa prefecture for consumption within the prefecture. 5. For other usage Applicants must be producers and/or suppliers of starch products using certain types of starch, which are difficult to supply domestically and are inedible usage, or organizations of such producers and/or supplies, and have assured intention to use or sell imported starch, and also be approved by the Director-General of Crop Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as amount of usage or sales in the previous period and planned usage or sales in the current period.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made 3 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ018	Ground-nuts	120230011, 120230019, 120241091, 120242091	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: 1. For general use (1) Applicants must have import records of ground nuts through tariff quota system in the previous fiscal year, and have assured intention to import ground nuts, and be approved by the Director-General of Crop Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants. (2) Other applicants who do not meet above criteria must fulfill all of the requirements described below, and also be approved by the Director-General of Crop Production Bureau, MAFF, as appropriate applicants. - have import records of at least 10 million yen of commodities classified in Section 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules in both of the preceding two years; or have at least 10 million yen of capital in the case of corporations. - have sales records of at least 200 MT of ground nuts in the domestic market in both of the preceding two years. - have assured intention to import ground nuts. 2. For use in Okinawa prefecture (1) Applicants must have import records of ground nuts through tariff quota system in the previous fiscal year, and have assured intention to import ground nuts to Okinawa prefecture and to sell them within the prefecture for consumption. (2) Other applicants who do not meet above criteria must have import records of at least 1 million yen of commodities classified in Section 1 to 4 of the Customs Tariff Schedules in both of the preceding two years, and have assured intention to import ground nuts to Okinawa prefecture and to sell them within the prefecture for consumption.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as amount of usage in the previous years and planned usage in the current year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made 2 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ019	Tubers of konnyaku	121299110	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: 1. For use in Okinawa prefecture Applicants must have facilities to produce konnyaku or konnyaku flour in Okinawa prefecture in the day which submits a tariff quota application, and have assured intention to use tubers of konnyaku imported into Okinawa prefecture for consumption within the prefecture. 2. For use in other areas Applicants must be producers, organizations composed of producers' organizations, raw material suppliers' organizations and processors' organizations.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as annual amount of usage in previous years, and planned annual amount of usage and sales.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 3 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	

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JPNQ020	Silk-worm cocoons and Raw silk	500100010, 500200211, 500200215, 500200216, 500200217	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>(a) Allocation of quotas to supplying countries: Global base.</p> <p>(b) Allocation of licences or of access to quotas to importers:</p> <p>(i) Competent authority: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF).</p> <p>(ii) Eligibility requirements for applicants: Applicants must have facilities to process silk-worm cocoons or facilities to produce silk products using raw silk in the day which submit a tariff quota application, or organizations composed of these applicants.</p> <p>(iii) The quota is allocated taking account of the factors such as previous records of usages of silk-worm cocoons or raw silk, and planned annual amount of usage in the current fiscal year.</p> <p>(iv) Allocations are made up to a maximum of 3 times a fiscal year, and are valid until the end of that year. Quantity that is returned without using is added to the quantity that is not allocated and redistributed. Applicants who wish to obtain allocations twice or more a fiscal year shall submit a document stating the reason for their need to do so.</p> <p>(c) Details of other arrangements (not involving import licences): Not applicable.</p> <p>(d) Other information: Sources of information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decree-law by the Cabinet on TRQ Administration; - Decree-law by MAFF on TRQ Administration on Various Products such as Maize; - Bulletin on TRQ Administration announced by MAFF; - METI Official Bulletin; - JETRO Tsusho Koho. 	